उर्वरकों के वितरण हेतु अतिरिक्त "रेक प्वाइंट"

3578. **श्रीमती रत्न कुमारी** : क्या **कृषि मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश के विभिन्न मार्गों में "रेक प्वाइंट" खोलने के मापदंड क्या हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार उर्वरकों के वितरण को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिये अतिरिक्त "रेक प्वाइंट" खोलने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस वर्ष मध्य प्रदेश में कितने अतिरिक्त "रेक प्वाइंट" खोलने का प्रस्ताव है और वे किस-किस स्थान पर खोले जायेंगे ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में ग्रामीण विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री उपेन्द्र नाथ वर्मा) : (क) रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी किए गए दिशा-निर्देशों के अनुसार, शीर्ष केन्द्र को 100 कि.मी. तक के पृष्ठ प्रदेश को आवश्यकतायें पूरी करने में समर्थ होना चाहिए तथा प्रत्येक शीर्ष केन्द्र में पर्याप्त उर्वरक व्यापार होना चाहिए ताकि वह प्रति सप्ताह दो और उससे अधिक रैक प्राप्त कर सके ।

(ख) और (ग) मध्य प्रदेश में खण्डवां, रायगढ़, भाटापारा, मकसी तथा देवास स्टेशनों पर रैक संचालन केन्द्र खोलने का विकास कार्य प्रगति पर है ।

Permission to setup mechanised Slaughter houses

3579. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the reasons for the reported permission granted for the setting up of mechanised slaughter houses or Abattoirs in the country. leading to greater killings of cattle in spite of the Directive Principles of State Policy as enshrined in Articles 48 and 48A of the constitution and also in spite of the fact that this would only pollute the environment; and

(b) the details of such sanctioned or proposed mechanised slaughter houses or abattoirs in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR) : (a) Setting up of mechanised slaughter houses or abattoirs in the country would not in any way pollute the environment; in fact they are aimed at preventing environmental pollution by providing proper affluent treatment and waste disposal facilities. Mechanised slaughter houses would also, in no way, lead to greater killings of cattle and violation of Directive Principles of State Policy as enshrined in Articles 48 and 48A of the Constitution as they are only meant to improve the systems and facilities currently in use.

(b) Semi-mechanised slaughter houses at Srinagar, Majitar (Sikkim), Madras and Trichur have been sanctioned in the Seventh Five Year Plan. Proposals for Hyderabad, Bangalore and Delhi have been received.

Assessment of achievements under the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme

3580. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any assessment had been made about the achievements under the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme in different States during 1988-89;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how do the achievements of Andhra Pradesh match with other States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA) : (a) and (b) Against the resources of Rs 761.55 crores released to various States/UTs under RLEGP during 1988-89, Rs. 669.37 crores are reported to have been utilised. The resource utilisation comes to 87.90%. As regards physical achievement, a target of 260.42 million